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Salem, N. C., Jan. 5, 1885.

The English wheat crop is good and the average is 20 bushels per acre.

The government's share of the expense of Grant's funeral is now figured at \$20,000.

Capt. R. T. Fulghum, a gallant ex-Confederate and journalist died in the Insane Asylum at Raleigh, on Sunday last.

Eight more clerks in the Treasury Department were removed Saturday, in the interest of economy. The majority were employed in the Internal Revenue Bureau.

On Monday the American yacht Puritan beat the English yacht Gesta by 16 minutes in the 38 mile race over the New York Yacht Club course.

Dennis Curtis, one of Greensboro's most valued and trustworthy citizens, died at his home in that city, after a lingering illness, last week, aged 59 years.—*Worlman*.

Within twenty-eight days sixty postoffices have been burned or robbed by burglars. The average loss in each case was less than one hundred dollars, which falls upon the government.

Thanks for a complimentary ticket to the Charlotte Fair Grounds during the four days of the Annual fair of the Carolina Fair Association, commencing October 27th.

The Association is confident of a successful Fair this fall.

This week being the centennial of Temperance work, and the 100th year since Dr. Rush gave to the world his celebrated views on the effects of alcohol on the human system. The papers have been giving notice, and requesting ministers all over the land to preach a special temperance sermon next Sabbath, 20th inst.

The business failures throughout the country during the last week, as reported to R. G. Dunn & Co., number for the United States 184, and for Canada 19, against 165 for the week before, and 189 for the week previous. The increase is also greater in the Pacific and Western States.

Five horses were lately killed by lightning in a singular manner at Camilla, N. Y. They stood with their necks over a wire fence, when suddenly the lightning struck the fence a distance of 1,000 feet from the horses. The current traversed the wire and went to the ground through the horses.

Probably the oldest man in the United States is now living near Dalton, Mo., with his son. He is a colored man, and was born in Prince Edward county, Va., about 1765. His first owner was James Ewing, grandfather of John J. and S. P. Ewing, who lived in and near Dalton. He has been in the Ewing family since his birth, and calls himself Martin Ewing.

WASHINGTON, September 11.—The President-to-day appointed Moses A. Hopkins, of North Carolina, to be minister resident and consul general of the United States to Liberia.

WASHINGTON, September 11.—The marine hospital service is informed through the collector of customs at El Paso that yellow fever is epidemic in the state of Sonora, Mexico, and a request is made for the appointment of a medical inspector at Nogales. The collector was authorized to appoint an inspector at once.

A Washington gentleman who has spent the summer at White Sulphur Springs for many years says that the closing season reminded him of days before the war, when this Southern resort was crowded with the wealthiest representatives of the slave States. This season there were a number of the old planters there who boasted that the fall crops in the Southern States would bring a larger sum than was ever received for the products of that section. The Free Trial Bottles at the Drug Store.

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James W. Hinkley, one of the editors and projectors of the New York *Graphic*, has brought suit in the United States Court, New York, to test the constitutionality of the Civil Service Law. The action is in the form of quo warranto proceedings against the Commissioners, Messrs. Eaton, Thomas and Gregory, demanding by what right they exercise unconstitutional powers. Mr. Hinkley says he has reason to believe that Secretary Daniel Manning agrees with him as to the unconstitutionality of the Civil Service Reform Law.—*Chronicle*.

A terrific cyclone visited Washington Court House, Ohio, Tuesday night, and almost swept the town from the earth, fully four hundred buildings going down; a number of persons were killed and the list of injured is over 300; the damage to property will exceed \$1,000,000; in other places in Ohio and in Indiana, the same storm wrecked many houses and caused loss of life.—*Star*.

ARMY HORSES' RAVAGES.—A dispatch from Nashville says that the much dreaded army worm, produced by continued drought, is devastating bottom fields in Rutherford and other counties in the southern part of Tennessee. Thousands of acres have already been completely denuded, and unless some change is had in the weather not more than one third of a crop will be made. Cattle are suffering in some parts of the State for want of water. Many streams and wells have gone dry compelling farmers to drive stock great distances to obtain water.

The October number of DEMOCRAT'S MONTHLY MAGAZINE is, as usual, very entertaining and instructive. As a family magazine it is worthy of honorable mention. The present number is filled with readable articles, among which are "Three Days at Chamounix," "The Poet Milton" and "Rambles About Crief." All the articles devoted to fashion and the adornment of home are very suggestive, and the stories, poems, and various departments furnish agreeable and instructive reading. There are some good illustrations, and the frontispiece is a fine steel engraving. This number completes Vol. XVI.

The September Century. Of greatest public interest among the contents of the September CENTURY are General Grant's article on "The Siege of Vicksburg"; the forcible frontispiece portrait, after a photograph taken when Gen. Grant was President (with which is given a fac-simile of his first signature on the army pay-account as "General Retired"); and a communication from General Grant, dated Mt. Gregor, June 22nd, which is printed with "Memoranda on the Civil War," and in which he withdraws what was by him in THE CENTURY of last February in regard to the conduct of "General Lew Wallace and General McCook at Shiloh." An editorial in "Topics of the Time" explains why General Grant's article on Vicksburg is printed without illustrations, and also that the subject will be resumed, with pictures at another time. A supplement article of great interest, in the same number, is "A Woman's Diary of the Siege of Vicksburg," which gives an inside view of the hardships and anxieties suffered by the besieged. The "Memoranda on the Civil War," besides General Grant's communication, embrace "Who Projected the Canal at Island No 10?" by General Schuyler Hamilton; "The Charge of Cooke's Cavalry at Gaines' Mill," referred to General Fitz-John Porter, by General St. George Cooke, with "Recollections of a Participant in the Charge," by Rev. W. H. Hitchcock; and a continuation of the discussion in regard to "General Beauregard's Courier at Bull Run," by Major Campbell Brown. Besides there are interesting papers on Alaska by Lt. Schwatka, of the government survey. A bright English article is beautifully illustrated, entitled "Among the Red Roots of Sussex." The "Crow's Nest" is a good short story. All the articles are bright and bracing as a September treat.

CORN FIGURES. Corn is king, undoubtedly, if the value of the entire crops produced of cotton, wheat and corn is reckoned. Several times the yield has exceeded 1,500,000, and now it is expected to reach 2,000,000 bushels, and even only 20 cents per bushel should be realized by the producer, less than corn is supposed to be ordinary worth for feeding to cattle and hogs such a crop would be worth \$400,000. When the country has produced over 6,000,000 bales of cotton thus far, it has produced over 400,000,000 bushels of wheat, as the western farmers well know, the average price to the producer has not exceeded 75 cents per bushel. Last year, with unusually large crops the Bureau estimate of the value to producers was about \$250,000,000 for cotton, \$330,000,000 for wheat, and \$640,000,000 for corn. The estimate of the Bureau may be rather higher than the actual return to the producers, but they nevertheless illustrate with sufficient accuracy the relative importance of these great crops. Hence the reports of injury to this most important crop have been watched with unusual interest.

COUNTERFEITERS ARRESTED.—Mr. W. Reed, druggist, of Asheville, last week two men Wm. T. Hopkins and LaFayette Hopkins, arrested in Waynesville charged with passing counterfeit coin. The accused were examined before Commissioner J. Wiley Shoak, and the proof was deemed sufficient to justify their commitment. The counterfeits are imitations of dollars and half dollars, very rude presentations of the real coin. They are not calculated to deceive; yet a number of half dollars had been put off on the ignorant or unwary. Besides the evidence of the parties imposed upon them, there were found on the persons of the prisoners specimens of the counterfeit money. The dies were not found.—*Asheville Citizen*.

MIRACULOUS ESCAPE. W. W. Reed, druggist, of Winchester, Ind., writes: "One of my customers, Mr. Louis Pike, Bartolo, Randolph Co., Ind., was a long sufferer with Consumption, and was given up to die by her physicians. She heard of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and began trying it to this city, a distance of six miles, and is now so much improved she has quit using it. She feels she owes her life to it."

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SOUTHERN NEWS AND NOTES.

From the Industrial South.

Knoxville's population has doubled in the past five years, and the city now has 27,000 inhabitants.

Major Robert Bingham, in an address lately delivered before the Normal School, Wilson, N. C., stated that North Carolina made 140,000 bales of cotton before the war, and in 1880 she made 400,000 bales of cotton and 50,000,000 pounds of tobacco, and as much grain as before.

General Henry O. Read, 171 Broadway, New York, president of the London and Continental Cattle Company, capital \$10,000,000, is soliciting for purchase 1,000,000 acres of the grazing plateaus of Tennessee. The cattle will range the mountain ranches during the summer and be wintered in the farming districts of the lowlands.

SECOND DISTRICT—JUDGE SHEPHERD.

Currituck—September 7, one week.

Camden—September 14, one week.

Pasquotank—September 21, one week.

Potowomut—September 28, one week.

Chowan—October 5, one week.

Gates—October 12, one week.

Hertford—October 19, one week.

Washington—October 26, one week.

December 14, one week.

Dare—November 9, one week.

Hyde—November 16, one week.

Pamlico—November 23, one week.

Beaufort—November 30, two weeks.

THIRD DISTRICT—JUDGE CONNOR.

Franklin—August 17, one week.

November 16, one week.

Moore—September 7, two weeks.

Edgecombe—October 14, two weeks.

Bertie—November 2, two weeks.

Halifax—November 16, two weeks.

FOURTH DISTRICT—JUDGE CLARK.

Wake—July 13, two weeks; criminal causes only.

August 21, two weeks; criminal causes only.

September 28, two weeks; criminal causes only.

October 26, three weeks; criminal causes only.

November 23, two weeks; criminal causes only.

JOHNSTON—August 17, two weeks; criminal causes only.

September 24, two weeks; criminal causes only.

October 21, two weeks; criminal causes only.

November 18, two weeks; criminal causes only.

DECEMBER—January 14, two weeks; criminal causes only.

February 21, two weeks; criminal causes only.

March 28, two weeks; criminal causes only.

APRIL—May 11, two weeks; criminal causes only.

JUNE—July 6, two weeks; criminal causes only.

July 23, two weeks; criminal causes only.

August 20, two weeks; criminal causes only.

September 17, two weeks; criminal causes only.

OCTOBER—November 14, two weeks; criminal causes only.

December 11, two weeks; criminal causes only.

NOVEMBER—December 8, two weeks; criminal causes only.

DECEMBER—January 5, two weeks; criminal causes only.

February 2, two weeks; criminal causes only.

March 19, two weeks; criminal causes only.

APRIL—May 16, two weeks; criminal causes only.

JUNE—July 3, two weeks; criminal causes only.

July 20, two weeks; criminal causes only.

August 17, two weeks; criminal causes only.

September 14, two weeks; criminal causes only.

OCTOBER—November 11, two weeks; criminal causes only.

December 8, two weeks; criminal causes only.

NOVEMBER—December 5, two weeks; criminal causes only.

APRIL—May 12, two weeks; criminal causes only.

JUNE—July 9, two weeks; criminal causes only.

July 26, two weeks; criminal causes only.

August 13, two weeks; criminal causes only.

September 10, two weeks; criminal causes only.

OCTOBER—November 7, two weeks; criminal causes only.

December 4, two weeks; criminal causes only.

NOVEMBER—December 1, two weeks; criminal causes only.

APRIL—May 8, two weeks; criminal causes only.

JUNE—July 5, two weeks; criminal causes only.

July 22, two weeks; criminal causes only.

August 8, two weeks; criminal causes only.

September 5, two weeks; criminal causes only.

OCTOBER—November 2, two weeks; criminal causes only.

December 9, two weeks; criminal causes only.

NOVEMBER—December 6, two weeks; criminal causes only.

APRIL—May 13, two weeks; criminal causes only.

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LOCAL ITEMS.

AN EPITOME OF THE WEEK'S DOINGS.

Departure and arrival of Trains on the Salem Branch—**N. W. N. C. R. R.**
No. 9 Leaves Salem, 6:30 a.m.
" 10 Arrives " 11:25 a.m.
" 11 Leaves " 6:55 p.m.
" 12 Arrives " 1:37 a.m.

—All persons in arrears for the Press will please call and settle.

—Press, self-piler, for sale.

—Weather warm.

Sheriff Boyer's tax notice in this paper.

—The Circus is coming. See advertisement.

Kernersville wants a Bank, and should have it.

—A great many persons are making hay this week.

—The Inferior Court of Stokes County has been abolished.

—The Winston Graded School opened Monday with 355 pupils.

—The corn in the Yadkin river bottoms is said to be the finest ever seen.

—First quarter of the moon yesterday, 16th, Embroiday. Full moon the 27th.

—Young men's prayer-meeting in the Male Academy, every Thursday evening at 7 o'clock.

—John R. Williams, Jr., has been appointed postmaster at the Fork Church, Davie county.

—There are 156 cases on the State docket and 57 on the civil docket for October term of Court.

—A fine rain Monday, commencing about a mile from town and extending some three miles south.

—Mr. Clarence Wolfe, of Bethlehem, Pa., is the guest of Rev. J. H. Clewell. He gave us a friendly call.

—See Mr. Reid's new advertisement in this issue. Mr. Reid's place of business is near Orinoco Warehouse.

Martin Grogan is the new U. S. Commissioner of the Western District of North Carolina, for Forsyth county.

—The Internal Revenue collections at this branch office, for the week ending September 12th, were \$19,635.90.

—Last week C. B. Hasten's wood shed caught fire by hot ashes being carelessly placed against it, and burnt down in Kernersville.

—Daniel Rominger has nearly completed a large frame residence on the top of the hill above the Pa. per mill, Old Shallowford Street, N. W. N. C. Guide Book.

An illustrated edition of this popular pamphlet has just been issued. An appendix notices the late improvements in Salem and Winston, Price 25 cents.

—We are requested to state that the Baptist protracted meeting which was to have been held at Clemmons-ville the 3rd Sunday in this month, has been postponed to the 4th Sunday in October.

—A new house has been erected on West street, in what is known as the ten acre field. Another residence will soon be erected in the near vicinity of this other, a well has been dug, &c.

—The Academy for September will be issued the latter part of this week. A strong plea for an Alumnae Association is made in the leading editorial, which we hope will result in the speedy formation of such an association.

An Equine Wonder.

To show the extent to which the horse is susceptible of training, it is only necessary to visit W. W. Cole's colossal shows and watch the horse Blondin in his unparalleled feat of walking a tight-rope stretched twenty feet above the ground. Every body that sees it declares it a marvel.

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LOCAL CORRESPONDENCE.

DAVIDSON COUNTY.
From the Lexington Dispatch.

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It was ordered that the tax books be turned over to the sheriff.

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The county board of education will meet in Lexington on the 3rd Monday of September, to take up unfinished business.

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The people at the mouth of Muddy Creek are trying to have a new post office established by extending the mail route from Salem to Yonkers some three miles further, either to Fry's mill or Mr. John Holland's house. The new office will probably be called Showell.

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1 by 160	rods equals one acre.
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5 "	32 "
6 "	26 2/3 "
7 "	22 6 7/8 "
8 "	20 "
9 "	17 7 9/16 "
10 "	16 "
11 "	14 6 11/16 "
12 "	13 "
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MARRIED.

Recently, JOHN CHAMELIN, of Union Cross, to Miss JOYCE YOKELY, of Davidson county.

In Davidson county, PLEASANT SMITH to Miss NANCY J. SMITH.

DIED.

In Davidson county, on the 13th inst., after much suffering from an internal cancer, Mrs. SOPHIA SMITH, widow of the late Henry Smith, aged about 50 years.

Suddenly, in Winston, on the night of 10th inst., LEVIN BREWER. He leaves a wife and 5 or 6 children.

TAX NOTICE.

THIS is to give notice that I will attend, at the following times and places for the purpose of collecting the taxes due Forsyth county for the year 1855.

Chowan's Store, Monday, Oct. 5th.

Kernersville, Tuesday, " 6th.

Crino's X Roads, Wednesday, " 7th.

Brown's, Thursday, " 8th.

Askin Stewart's, Saturday, " 10th.

Old Town, Monday, " 12th.

Lewis Bitting's, Tuesday, " 13th.

High Reed's, Wednesday, " 14th.

Brown's, Thursday, " 15th.

Lewisville, Friday, " 16th.

Ben Hampton's, Saturday, " 17th.

